

TIMOLEON, SIRE OF GREAT BOSTON

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"This one and that one," said he, "are two of the best bred horses in England; the other two are Irish-bred," which I presumed meant by Irish hunter-stallions, but they were three-quarters bred or better. Then, with some mystery, he took me to a box stall and showed me one of the biggest, coarsest horses I ever saw, and to my astonishment, he said, "This is the sire of the National with him next year." Seeing that these did not fill my eye, he took me to see six, which he informed me were ridden by the duchess. They were what our big but not very thoroughbred are, and so, as I could not see for myself as individuals, I asked him if, being thoroughbreds, they did not pull the duchess. He settled all of this with "T.," the duchess is a good horsewoman, and doesn't consider that. Thinking I was through, I gave him my tin, which I knew was satisfactory from the emphasis on the "Thank you," but he then took me to see two rangy big hunters, and finally ushered me into a stable of five stalls, with the finest lot of hunters I ever looked at. The first was a bay, with a long, keen neck and bony head, fine short-ears, and the best ribbed-up body and the strongest back and loins I ever saw. He was enveloped in muscle, and stood, I should say, fifteen hands three inches high. I never saw a better combination of quality and strength. I was told that the duke and duchess rode in the first flight, and that there could be no question of the horses under them.

But to get back to Timoleon. He was one of those big, powerful horses that we can pick out of a hundred, who has quality combined with strength and speed, and who has been shown by his brilliant performances in his short turf life, lasting from the spring of 1816 through the summer of 1818. What became of him from the time he was foaled to the spring of 1816 I cannot find. I only know that within that time he came into the hands of Mr. J. T. Harrison, of Virginia, who started him as a three-year-old at New Market, mile heats, which he won from Fair Rosamond, Sambo and an Eagle colt in 1:47 and 1:48, "hard in hand." This time was within four seconds of the time ascribed to Flying Childers' mile, which, however, was not contested. In the last heat he distanced the field.

The morning before this race at sunrise he beat a Potomac colt one-half mile in a match for \$100. He was then sold to Mr. Wynne for \$2,500, who in the fall of 1816 won with him the first heat in the Post Stakes at New Market—two-mile heats, six subscribers, \$200 each. He won by 70 or 80 yards, "carrying the boy completely in his mouth." Having been so much used in this heat he was beaten by Realty (another Sir Archy) in the second and third heats in 3:47 and 3:48, Drummond, Lady Richmond and Fair Rosamond also ran. The next week he walked at Belfield two-mile heats.

In the same fall he won the Jockey Club purse at Taborough—\$400, two-mile heats, beating the great Lady Lightfoot, then old.

In February, 1817, he won sweepstakes over the Charleston course—two-mile heats, four subscribers, \$500 each—winning the first two heats, and in great style beating Mr. Singleton's filly, by Blank and others. Four days after he won the Proprietors' purse—three-mile heats, "hard in hand." In two heats—beating Leucurus, Black-Eyed Susan, a Bedford colt, and Mr. Taylor's mare.

On the 7th of May following, after traveling from Charleston, he won the Jockey Club purse at New Market—four-mile heats—beating Realty in two heats over a track in worse condition than it had ever been known to be, in 8:04 and 8:04 1-2.

In September, 1817, won the Jockey Club purse at Warrenton, three-mile heats, beating Harwood and Optimus easy. After this race he was sold to Mr. Robert R. Johnson, of Petersburg (a brother of William R. I think), for \$4,100; but Mr. Wynne offered \$5,000 ten days later, got him back, believing, as he said, that he was "superior to any race-horse that ever turned a gravel on any race-course in the United States." In the fall of 1817 Mr. Johnson ran him at New Market, distancing Mr. Worsham's mare, by Elizabeth in the first heat. The following week he walked for the Jockey Club purse of \$300 at Belfield. The next week he walked for the Jockey Club purse of \$300 at Halifax course, although many of "the best nags" were at the course.

In the next week he walked over the Scotland Neck course, four-mile heats, for the Jockey Club purse of \$400.

In January, 1818, he traveled to Charleston, where he was taken with distemper. He, however, won the Proprietors' purse of \$500 there, two-mile heats, from Variety. This mare, the full sister to Realty, soon after fell and broke her neck.

The next day he started in three-mile heats against Mr. Richardson's Transports, who beat him. He choked so badly from the distemper that he was stopped after running one mile and a quarter. It was with great difficulty he could be gotten home.

before Mr. Harrison got him. Mr. Bruce is almost always correct. In the fall of 1818 he was sold to Col. David Vaneoy for \$4,300, which many thought too high a price, but his loyal seller said "he had never seen a day he would not have made the bargain sold."

Colonel Vaneoy took him to the "western country," with a letter in his pocket from Colonel William R. Johnson, so stating that he had seen him run all of his races in Virginia, and that his performance from one to four miles was such as to do credit to the best runner in either this country or Europe; that his action was most superior, and that his size and blood entitled him to rank first-rate as a stallion.

His sons and daughters were distinguished over the United States. Among them Sally Walker, who beat Ariel, Lance, Janet, Betty Ransom, etc. Indeed everything that came against her, except the celebrated Monsieur Tomson, by Encoit. Sally McGee, another daughter, in 6 races beat all competitors except Sally Walker. His son Washington, the best 3-year-old of his year, beat the great Henry; beat Childers and others of the best in good time. Hotsput, another son, won all of his races in fine style except the one in which he broke down, when running 4-mile heats against the celebrated mare Ellritilla. Mason's Rattler, another son, was a great horse on the turf and in the stud. His son Oscar was never beaten. Timoleon's half-sister, Roxana (Betty Haxall), by Sir Harry, was dam of Aratus, best son of Director, or Star, best son of Virginian of his own brother Restless, of Snowstorm, the best son of Contention of Nullifier a fine son of Eclipse.

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But I must get back to my subject and at least get Timoleon's record. He was by Sir Archy by Diomed by Florizel by Herod by Tartar by Carter by Jigg by Byerly Turk.

His dam was daughter of Saltram, by English Eclipse by Marske by Jigg by Bartlett's Childers by Darry Arabian.

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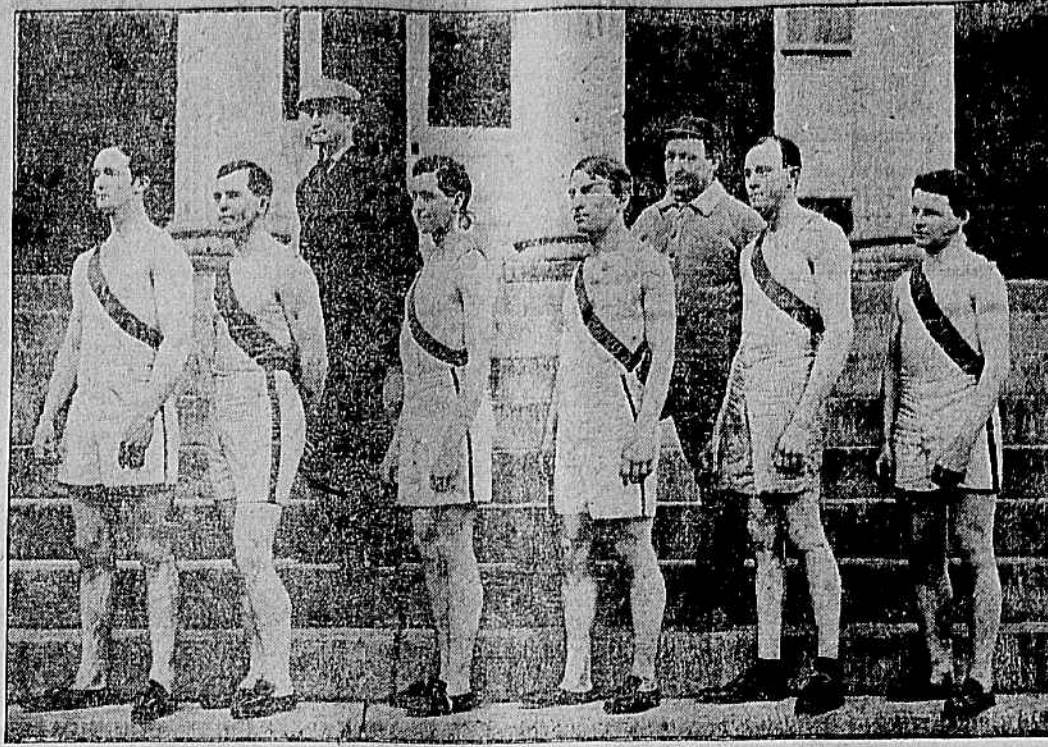
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NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

BY W. J. CARRER (BROAD ROCK.)

Quite a fair proportion of the choice offerings at the recent auction sales in New York came to Virginia, which is pleasing evidence of the fact that the breeders of the past decade of 60, in the Old Dominion are alive to the importance of fostering and improving the condition of horse-breeding interests in this State. One of the most regular attendants of the big New York auctions is Samuel Walton, whose farm of choice to 1,000 acres is near Falls Mills, on the line of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, out in southwest Virginia, where four or five stallions are owned and a band of choice brood mares. Not a stallion of the place has ever been offered for public sale since Walton's farm was established some twenty years since, yet the big training barn has been pretty well filled season after season, and now some twenty or more trotters and pacers are being wintered. In the fall of the farm, Bailey U. Macey.

While at the sales last month, Mr. Walton secured another elegantly bred brood mare in Deligence, 2:27 1-4, by Expedition, 2:15 3-4, dam Nutula, a great brood mare and full sister to Nutwood, 2:13 3-4, by Belmont, next dam Miss Russell, dam of Mand S, 2:08 1-4. Deligence is with foal by The Bondsman, sire of Grace Bond, 2:09 1-4. At the same sale J. Thack Snyder, who is managing the new breeding establishment of D. A. Langhorne, Scottsville, Va., bid off Bond Issue, the promising yearling colt, by The Bondsman, out of Diligence. This colt, along with Morelle, brown filly, by Walnut Hall, dam Mayrosa, by Moko; Janette Burns, the gray mare, by Bobby Burns, 2:19 3-4, and the roan stallion Ed Gaylord, by Jay Bird, reached Scottsville in good shape. Among other Virginia horsemen figuring as purchasers at the same venue were Warner Ames, of Onancock, who bought Lord Huron, the chestnut horse, by Lord Eldon, dam Unexplored, by Mambrino King, and Ketch Axworthy, the five-year-old, bay gelding, by Axworthy, dam Nyanza, 2:15 3-4, by Mambrino King, and Frank Covington, of Norfolk, who got a promising three-year-old in Mistmore, bay filly, by Baronmore, dam River Mist, 2:28 1-4, by Don Wilkes, 2:24 3-4, and she joins the stable of trotters and pacers being wintered by him at the Norfolk Horse Show and Fair Grounds track.

Charles Atkinson, who trained in 1907 for H. A. Brehm, the wealthy breeder and track owner, of Baltimore, has opened a public stable at the Jockey Club's Driving Park, Arlington, Maryland. Atkinson's contract with Mr. Brehm expired and the two men parted on amicable terms. Mr. Brehm owns Wilton Stock Farm, near Havre De Grace, Md., the home of Pilot Medium, Jr., 2:09 3-4, and other stallions; also a choice band of brood mares and a lot of richly bred young things, which have been looked after by Dr. L. H. Tubbs.

Utah Race-Track. Miller goes back East with a fat pocketbook and a whole raft of jewelry and diamonds. At Los Angeles "Red" Mackenzie, the Canadian millionaire sporting man, followed Miller with success. He gave the midge a handsome diamond-studded whip as a memento. Incidentally, Miller did something this winter which no other jockey ever did. He bought \$2,500 worth of the common stock of the Utah Jockey Club, which is soon to break ground on a new \$225,000 race-track near Salt Lake City, Utah. On the advice of insiders Miller grabbed up some of the small amount of stock offered the public. The Salt Lake project is a go. According to rumor, the Western Pacific Road is a big investor in the club's stock, while Donald Campbell and J. A. Macdonald, of London, through the Desert are interested, too. The Salt Lake City venture will be engineered along the right lines.

The Utah Valley Hunt Club has come in with a membership of 300 of the most prominent people of Ogden and Salt Lake, while the social end of the game, as well as the commercial, will be looked after. It is now proposed to open the new track in the autumn of 1909. The plant will be substantially built and appointed in the most modern manner, requiring much longer to construct than the average "mushroom variety." The Rio Grande and Denver road and the Western Pacific will handle the race-going crowds from a field of over 300,000 population. It is thought horsemen will be glad to break the jump from the East to the Pacific coast by a fling at the game at Salt Lake, which leads the promoters to believe that six weeks' racing in the autumn would just about fill the bill.

The financial public has been educated to the knowledge of the great money earning capacity of a successful race-track during the last three or four years, a circumstance which was clearly shown in connection with the Salt Lake project for every dollar of the \$150,000 common stock could have been disposed of in Goldfield, Nev., alone in one afternoon.

Director of the University of Virginia. Holder of the world's record at indoor 100 yards in 10 seconds.

the farm superintendent. Atkinson's stable includes sons and daughters of stable hands, has escaped any form of sickness, however, is the bay colt Benches, 1817, by Bingham, son of Bingham, dam Bunsen, by Mazatlan, 2:26 3-4, the son of Electioneer and Rosemont, by Piedmont, 2:17 1-4, second dam famous Beautiful Bells. Benches was bred at Allen Farm, Pittsfield, Mass., and is now three years old. Last season he could show quarters in thirty-six seconds and the handsome son of Bingham is one of the best gaited trotters ever sent out from the noted New England breeding establishment.

W. W. Osborne, of Springfield Stock Farm, Gordonsville, Va., has a fine lot of hunters and jumpers in his stable. In addition to these Dyer will have Little John, 2:26 1-4, trotting, and 2:21 1-4, pacing, black gelding, by Constantine, Elector, black horse, by Elector, son of Electioneer, dam Ada D., 2:13 1-4, by Baron Hal; brown mare, 5, by Baron Hawk, dam Betty West, by Elector, 4, by Ephraim Toodles, 2:18 1-4, bay filly, 3, by Burlington, 2:18; bay filly, 3, by Highwood, 2:21 1-4; bay filly, 3, by Altison, son of Electioneer, and bay mare, 5, by A. L. Benson, son of General Benson.

Bright prospects rule and a rosy view of the situation is held by those in touch with the Affairs of the Virginia State Fair Association, whose annual fair and race meeting will be held next fall during the week of October 1st to 10th. The purses of class races will be \$500 each, while at an early date the early closing events will be announced. With men at the helm like Henry C. Stuart, as president, John Stewart Bryan, as vice-president, and J. T. Anderson, chairman of the executive committee, faith is inspired in the management of the Virginia State Fair Association, whose meeting will follow the Interstate Fair Association, of Lynchburg, and precede to North Carolina State Fair, Raleigh.

The Virginia-bred mare, Ollie Belle, daughter of Imp. Charaxus and Ada Belle, by Eolus, foaled on February 28th, a chestnut colt, by Mexican. Ollie Belle is a product of the Ellerslie Stock Farm, a noted line of performers and producers. The mare and colt are owned by R. T. Wilson, of New York.

George F. Dyer, whose stable of trotters and pacers is at the fair grounds track, Lynchburg, Va., where he will race during the coming season, has returned from Lexington, Ky., where he purchased some half dozen head of trotters, among them being Flexina, chestnut filly, three, by Flexo, 2:14 1-4, dam Moonset, by Jay Hawk; bay mare, 5, by Silent Roar, 2:16 1-2, dam Charlesville Girl, dam of Mary Steele, 2:13 1-2, by Cooper Medium; bay colt, 1, by The Bondsman, dam The Lady May, by May King, and Sir Henry, roan

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